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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Secretary
Department of State

Attention: Mr. W. Park Armstrong

SUBJECT: Operation - [redacted]

25X1 1. Pursuant to your request at the recent meeting attended
25X1 by Mr. Shute, Mr. McCluskey and ourselves, I am setting forth
25X1 herewith a statement [redacted]
[redacted] in answer to the communication which you tell me you have
received from them on this subject.

25X1 2. This Agency assumed as of 1 July 1949 responsibility for
25X1 the conduct of Operation [redacted] Prior to this date, it had been
conducted for some time by U.S. Military Intelligence in Germany at
the European Command level. Since the transfer of the operation to
this Agency, a consistent effort has been made, and will continue,
to tighten up the security of the organization and to eliminate
certain undesirable features of it which have been brought to the
Agency's attention [redacted]

25X1 3. This Agency wishes to assure [redacted]
that the operation in question is directed toward the collection of
tactical information on the USSR and its Satellites, and for that
purpose employs former German Army officers who are considered
reliable experts in this field [redacted]

25X1 [redacted]
25X1 [redacted]

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REVIEWER: [redacted]

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signed

R. H. HILLENKOETTER

REAR ADMIRAL, U.S.N.

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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